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CAPE TOWN FOR EMBASSY

E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: EIND SF

SUBJ: MOTION PICTURE COPYRIGHTS

REF: PRETORIA 1217 AND PREVIOUS

1. MINISTER OF ECONOMIC AFFAIRS HAS INTRODUCED BILL IN ASSEMBLY TO AMEND COPYRIGHT ACT OF 1965 AS IT PERTAINS TO MOTION PICTURES.

2. BILL PROVIDES FOR PRESUMPTION OF KNOWLEDGE (OF INFRINGEMENT) IN CONNECTION WITH INFRINGING COPIES OF FILMS, INCREASES PENALTIES TO 500 RAND OR SIX MONTHS OR BOTH (FROM TOKEN FOUR RAND), AND PROHIBITS IMPORTS ON REQUEST OF OWNER OF FILM.

3. COMMENT. IF IT BECOMES LAW (AS SEEMS LIKELY), BILL WILL BE SECOND BLOW TO MOVIE " PIRATES", WHO IN APRIL LOST "S FILMS" TEST CASE. (SEE REFTEL)
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Message Attributes

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